

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CREMIN, No. C 07-01302 CW
v.
MCKESSON CORPORATION EMPLOYEES' LONG TERM DISABILITY BENEFIT PLAN,
MINUTE ORDER AND
CASE MANAGEMENT
ORDER

Clerk: Sheilah Cahill Reporter: Diane Skillman
Plaintiff Attorney: Laurence Padway
Defendant Attorney: Pamela Cogan

A case management conference was held on: 9/11/07. The Case Management Statement and Proposed Order filed by the parties is hereby adopted by the Court as the Case Management Order for the case, except as may be noted below. The Court's standard Order for Pretrial Preparation also applies.

The case is hereby referred to the following ADR process:
Non-binding Arbitration: [] Early Neutral Evaluation: []
Court-connected mediation: [] Private mediation: []
Magistrate Judge settlement conference: [X]
ADR session to be held by: (11/09/07)
(or as soon thereafter as is convenient to the mediator's schedule)
Deadline to add additional parties or claims: (09/11/07)
Date of next case management conference: (not set)
Completion of Fact Discovery: (01/17/08)
Disclosure of identities and reports of expert witnesses: (11/16/07)
Completion of Expert Discovery: (01/17/08)
All case-dispositive motions to be heard at 2:00 P.M.
on or before: (02/28/08)
Final Pretrial Conference at 2:00 P.M. on: (not set)
A day Trial will begin at 8:30 A.M. on: (not set)

Additional Matters: Copy of Court's Order for Pretrial Preparation given to attys in court. Discovery limited to standard of review. Plaintiff to file Rule 52 motion and address standard of review and merits by 1/17/08; Defendant's opposition and cross-motion (contained within a single brief) due 2/7/08; Plaintiff's reply/opposition to cross-motion (contained within a single brief) due 2/14/08. **Hearing on Rule 52 motion set for 2/28/08 at 2:00 p.m.**

IT IS SO ORDERED.

1 Dated: 9/17/07


CLAUDIA WILKEN
United States District Judge

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NOTICE

Case Management Conferences and Pretrial Conferences are conducted on **Tuesdays** at 2:00 p.m. **Criminal Law and Motion** calendar is conducted on **Wednesdays** at 2:00 p.m. for defendants in custody and 2:30 p.m. for defendants not in custody. **Civil Law and Motion** calendar is conducted on **Thursdays** at 2:00 p.m. Order of call is determined by the Court. Counsel need not reserve a hearing date for civil motions; however, counsel are advised to check the legal newspapers or the Court's website at www.cand.uscourts.gov for unavailable dates.

Motions for Summary Judgment: All issues shall be contained within one motion of 25 pages or less, made on 35 days notice. (See Civil L.R. 7-2). Separate statements of undisputed facts in support of or in opposition to motions for summary judgment will not be considered by the Court. (See Civil Local Rule 56-2(a)). The motion and opposition should include a statement of facts supported by citations to the declarations filed with respect to the motion. Evidentiary and procedural objections shall be contained within the motion, opposition or reply; separate motions to strike will not be considered by the Court. Any cross-motion shall be contained within the opposition to any motion for summary judgment, shall contain 25 pages or less, and shall be filed 21 days before the hearing. The reply to a motion may contain up to 15 pages, shall include the opposition to any cross-motion, and shall be filed 14 days before the hearing. (See Civil Local Rule 7-3). The Court may, *sua sponte* or pursuant to a motion under Civil L.R. 6-3, reschedule the hearing so as to give a moving party time to file a reply to any cross-motion.

All DISCOVERY MOTIONS are referred to a Magistrate Judge to be heard and considered at the convenience of his/her calendar. All such matters shall be noticed by the moving party for hearing on the assigned Magistrate Judge's regular law and motion calendar, or pursuant to that Judge's procedures.

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ORDER FOR PRETRIAL PREPARATION

PRETRIAL CONFERENCE

1. Not less than 30 days prior to the pretrial conference, counsel shall exchange (but not file or lodge) the papers described in Civil L.R. 16-10(b)(7),(8),(9), and (10), and their motions in limine.

2. At least 20 days before the final pretrial conference, lead counsel who will try the case shall meet and confer with respect to:

(a) Preparation and content of the joint pretrial conference statement;

(b) Resolution of any differences between the parties regarding the preparation and content of the joint pretrial conference statement and the preparation and exchange of pretrial materials to be served and lodged pursuant to this Order for Pretrial Preparation. To the extent such differences are not resolved, parties will present the issues in the pretrial conference statement so that the judge may rule on the matter during the pretrial conference; and

(c) Settlement of the action.

3. Not less than 10 days prior to the pretrial conference, counsel shall submit the following.

(a) Pretrial Conference Statement. The parties shall file a joint pretrial conference statement containing the following information:

(1) The Action.

(A) Substance of the Action. A brief description of the substance of claims and defenses which remain to be decided.

(B) Relief Prayed. A detailed statement of all the relief claimed, particularly itemizing all elements of damages claimed.

(2) The Factual Basis of the Action.

(A) Undisputed Facts. A plain and concise statement of all relevant facts not reasonably disputed.

(B) Disputed Factual Issues. A plain and concise

1 statement of all disputed factual issues which remain to be
2 decided.

3 (C) Agreed Statement. A statement assessing whether all
4 or part of the action may be presented upon an agreed statement
5 of facts.

6 (D) Stipulations. A statement of stipulations requested
7 or proposed for pretrial or trial purposes.

8 (3) Disputed Legal Issues. Without extended legal argument,
9 a concise statement of each disputed point of law concerning
10 liability or relief.

11 (4) Further Discovery or Motions. A statement of all remaining
12 discovery or motions.

13 (5) Trial Alternatives and Options.

14 (A) Settlement Discussion. A statement summarizing the
15 status of settlement negotiations and indicating whether further
16 negotiations are likely to be productive.

17 (B) Consent to Trial Before a Magistrate Judge. A
18 statement whether the parties consent to a court or jury trial
19 before a magistrate judge, with appeal directly to the Ninth
20 Circuit.

21 (C) Bifurcation, Separate Trial of Issues. A statement of
22 whether bifurcation or a separate trial of specific issues is
23 feasible and desired.

24 (6) Miscellaneous. Any other subjects relevant to the trial of
25 the action, or material to its just, speedy and inexpensive
26 determination.

27 (b) Exhibit List and Objections. The exhibit list shall
28 list each proposed exhibit by its number, description, and sponsoring
witness, followed by blanks to accommodate the date on which it is
marked for identification and the date on which it is admitted into
evidence. **No party shall be permitted to offer any exhibit in its
case-in-chief that is not disclosed in its exhibit list without leave
of the Court for good cause shown.** Parties shall also deliver a set

1 of premarked exhibits to the Courtroom Deputy. The exhibit markers
2 shall each contain the name and number of the case, the number of the
3 exhibit, and blanks to accommodate the date admitted and the Deputy
4 Clerk's initials. (Appropriate sample forms are available on the
5 Court's website at www.cand.uscourts.gov). Any objections to exhibits
6 which remain after the pretrial meeting shall be indicated in the
7 pretrial statement.

8 (c) Witness List. In addition to the requirements of
9 FRCivP 26(a)(3)(A), a brief statement describing the substance of the
10 testimony to be given by each witness who may be called at trial. **No**
11 **party shall be permitted to call any witness in its case-in-chief that**
12 **is not disclosed in its pretrial statement without leave of Court for**
13 **good cause shown.**

14 (d) Use of Discovery Responses. In addition to the
15 requirements of FRCivP 26(a)(3)(B), a designation of any excerpts from
16 interrogatory answers or from responses for admissions intended to be
17 offered at trial. Counsel shall indicate any objections to use of
18 these materials and that counsel have conferred respecting such
19 objections.

20 (e) Trial briefs. Briefs on all significant disputed
21 issues of law, including foreseeable procedural and evidentiary
22 issues, which remain after the pretrial meeting.

23 (f) Motions in Limine. Any motions in limine that could
24 not be settled at the pretrial meeting shall be filed with the
25 pretrial statement. All motions in limine shall be contained within
26 one document, limited to 25 pages pursuant to Civil L.R. 7-2(b), with
27 each motion listed as a subheading. Opposition to the motions in
28 limine shall be contained within one document, limited to 25 pages,

1 with corresponding subheadings, and filed five (5) days thereafter.

2 (g) Joint Proposed Voir Dire. The attached voir dire
3 questionnaire will be given to the venire members, and copies of the
4 responses will be made available to counsel at the beginning of voir
5 dire. Counsel may submit a set of additional requested voir dire, to
6 be posed by the Court, to which they have agreed at the pretrial
7 meeting. Any voir dire questions on which counsel cannot agree shall
8 be submitted separately. Counsel may be allowed brief follow-up voir
9 dire after the Court's questioning.

10 (h) Joint Proposed Jury Instructions. Jury instructions
11 §1.1 through §1.12, §1.13 through §2.2, and §3.1 through §4.3 from the
12 Manual of Model Civil Jury Instructions for the Ninth Circuit (2001
13 Edition) will be given absent objection. Counsel shall jointly submit
14 one set of additional proposed jury instructions, to which they have
15 agreed at the pretrial meeting. The instructions shall be ordered in
16 a logical sequence, together with a table of contents. Any
17 instruction on which counsel cannot agree shall be marked as
18 "disputed," and shall be included within the jointly submitted
19 instructions and accompanying table of contents, in the place where
20 the party proposing the instruction believes it should be given.
21 Argument and authority for and against each disputed instruction shall
22 be included as part of the joint submission, on separate sheets
23 directly following the disputed instruction.

24 Whenever possible, counsel shall deliver to the Courtroom Deputy
25 a copy of their joint proposed jury instructions on a computer disk
26 in WordPerfect or ASCII format. The disk label should include the
27 name of the parties, the case number and a description of the
28 document.

1 (I) Proposed Verdict Forms, Joint or Separate.

2 (j) Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law (Court
3 Trial only). Whenever possible, counsel shall deliver to the
4 Courtroom Deputy a copy of their proposed findings of fact and
5 conclusions of law on a computer disk in WordPerfect or ASCII format.
6 The disk label should include the name of the parties, the case number
7 and a description of the document.

8 JURY SELECTION

9 The Jury Commissioner will summon 20 to 25 prospective jurors.
10 The Courtroom Deputy will select their names at random and seat them
11 in the courtroom in the order in which their names are called.

12 Voir dire will be asked of sufficient venire persons so that
13 eight (or more for a lengthy trial) will remain after all peremptory
14 challenges and an anticipated number of hardship dismissals and cause
15 challenges have been made.

16 The Court will then take cause challenges, and discuss hardship
17 claims from the individual jurors, outside the presence of the venire.
18 The Court will inform the attorneys which hardship claims and cause
19 challenges will be granted, but will not announce those dismissals
20 until the process is completed. Each side may then list in writing
21 up to three peremptory challenges. The attorneys will review each
22 other's lists and then submit them to the Courtroom Deputy.

23 Then, from the list of jurors in numerical order, the Court will
24 strike the persons with meritorious hardships, those excused for
25 cause, and those challenged peremptorily, and call the first eight
26 people in numerical sequence remaining. Those people will be the
27 jury.

28 All jurors remaining at the close of the case will deliberate.

1 There are no alternates.

2 SANCTIONS

3 Failure to comply with this Order is cause for sanctions under
4 Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 16(f).

5 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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CLAUDIA WILKEN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

JUROR QUESTIONNAIRE

Please fill out this form as completely as possible and print clearly. Since we want to make copies for the attorneys and the Court, do not write on the back of any page. If you need more room, continue at the bottom of the page. Thank you for your cooperation.

1. Your name: _____

2. Your age: _____

3. The city where you live: _____

4. Your place of birth: _____

5. Do you rent or own your own home? _____

6. Your marital status: (circle one)

single married separated divorced widowed

7. What is your occupation, and how long have you worked in it? (If you are retired, please describe your main occupation when you were working).

8. Who is (or was) your employer?

9. How long have you worked for this employer? _____

10. Please list the occupations of any adults with whom you live.

11. If you have children, please list their ages and sex and, if they are employed, please give their occupations.

12. Please describe your educational background:

Highest grade completed: _____

College and/or vocational schools you have attended:

Major areas of study: _____

13. Have you ever served on a jury before? _____ How many
times? _____

If yes: State/County Court _____ Federal Court _____

When? _____

Was it a civil or criminal case? _____

Did the jury(ies) reach a verdict? _____

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